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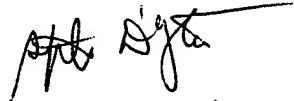
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1. The amendment filed on 27 December 2005 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
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- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.

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